LBA/CAA Dual Meet
Hosted by LBA
02/11/2022 – 02/13/2022
Held at Loyola Blakefield, 500 Chestnut Avenue, Towson, MD 21204

Closed Invitational – LBA/CAA

Held under the Sanction of USA Swimming, Inc., issued by Maryland Swimming, Inc.
Sanction #MD21/22-034

In granting this approval it is understood and agreed that USA Swimming and MD Swimming shall be free and held harmless from any liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of injuries to anyone during the conduct of the event. USA Swimming Article 202.6.6C

Current USA Swimming Rules, including the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy ("MAAPP"), and the MD Swimming Code of Conduct (www.mdswim.org) will govern this meet.

MEET DIRECTOR	**MEET ENTRY COORDINATOR**
Bridgette Acchione 443-286-7088 Bridgette.schertle@gmail.com	Keith Schertle 144 Westbury Rd, 21093 443-841-3368 kschertle@loyolablakefield.org
MEET REFEREE	**USA Registered Operational Risk Director**
Dipper Wettstein carron.dunker@columbiaassociation.org Meet Notice read & approved by Referee : YES	*Dominic Breschi* 443-841-3367 DBreschi@loyolablakefield.org
OFFICIALS CONTACT	**ADMIN OFFICIAL**
Dipper Wettstein Sign up Link carron.dunker@columbiaassociation.org	*Pam Shinnick*

FACILITY

- **The competition pool at Loyola Blakefield has been certified in accordance with 104.2c(4)**
- **Pool: The pool depth is 12 feet at the starting end and 4 feet and ½ feet at the turning end. Full Colorado Timing Equipment with 8 Lane Matrix Score Board to be used.**
- **Parking is only allowed on the White Gravel Lot and the parking lots near Sheridan Hall.**
- **Parents please keep the stands clean.**
- **No one is allowed in the front area of Knott Hall. We must stay in the pool area.**

MEET FORMAT **Timed final event**

Session	Day	Warm-up	Meet Start	Age Group
1	Friday	5:45 PM	6:30 PM	All
2	Saturday	8:00 AM	9:00 PM	All
3	Saturday		20 minutes after end of session 2	All
4	Sunday	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	All
5	Sunday		20 minutes after end of session 4	All

DEADLINE AND MEETING SUMMARY:

Day, Date	Time	For:
Friday, 01/28/2022		Entry deadline
Friday, 02/11/2022	5:45 PM	Officials Briefing
Saturday, 02/12/2022	8:15 AM	Officials Briefing
Sunday, 02/13/2022	8:15 AM	Officials Briefing

SAFETY

The MDSI Safety Program is in effect for this meet. Coaches are advised to closely supervise their swimmers at all times. NO running or horseplay will be tolerated. Upon approval by the facility, swimmers are allowed to use only personal kickboards, pull buoys and snorkels in non-competition warm up areas. Operation of a drone, or any other flying apparatus, is prohibited over the venue (pools, athlete/coach areas, spectator areas and open ceiling locker rooms) any time athletes, coaches, officials and/or spectators are present.

COVID Protocols: No spectators at this time. Masks must be worn by swimmers, coaches, officials, and volunteers at all times that social distancing is not possible.

RACING STARTS

Any swimmer entered in the meet, must be certified by a USA Swimming member coach as being proficient in performing both a forward racing start and a backstroke start, or must start each race from within the water. When un-accompanied by a member-coach, it is the responsibility of the swimmer or the swimmer's legal guardian to ensure compliance with this requirement.

RULES

The Meet Referee will be in charge of the meet. Any questions regarding the conduct of the meet should be made directly to the Meet Referee. The Meet Committee and/or Meet Referee may find it necessary to change some meet variables in order to provide the best possible situations and conduct of the meet for the athletes; including, but not limited to start times, breaks, distance event procedures, weather related disruptions, etc.

This meet will be conducted in accordance with the current USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, except where rules therein are optional and exceptions are stated.

USA Swimming / MDSI Safety Guidelines and warm-up procedures will be in effect for the entire meet.

Please note that the timing equipment uses a strobe as part of the starting equipment. Therefore, flash photography is PROHIBITED at the start of all the races.

No one will be allowed on deck unless they are registered with USA Swimming as an athlete, coach or official and/or those who are part of the timing and administrative staff assisting with the conduct of the meet.

Swimmers entering the meet must be registered with MDSI by the entry deadline date. Per MDSI rules, any club that enters an unregistered athlete will be fined $100.00 per unregistered athlete. No Deck Registrations will be permitted.

Videotaping or picture taking, on deck by meet volunteers will not be permitted. Volunteers wishing to tape or photograph their swimmer shall do so from the spectator area if available. Any person(s) violating this rule will be subject to discipline by the Meet Director or Referee up to and including removal from the venue for the remainder of the meet. EXCEPTION: The MDSI Certified meet photographer and anyone else specifically given pre-authorization by the Meet Director or Referee.

Deck changes are prohibited. Swimmer must arrive and leave in their swimsuits. Swimmers participating in deck changing will be in violation of the USA Swimming Code of Conduct/Sportsmanship Policy and could be subject to removal from further competition in the meet.

Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone, is not permitted behind the starting blocks or in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.

Tech Suits are banned for all 12 & Unders.

Attending any of these meets is voluntary. Swimmers must complete the COVID checklist used by each team prior to coming to the meet. DO NOT COME TO THE MEET IF YOU ARE SICK OR HAVE HAD CONTACT WITH COVID.

Failure to comply with any rules and/or the request of a Safety Marshall shall be considered a Code of Conduct Violation

Swim Meets held under a MDSI sanction will adhere to the venue capacity limitations of the local health authority. When there are venue capacity limitations, participation of athletes will be prioritized over spectators.

Masks covering nose and mouth will be worn by all competitors, coaches, officials, meet staff, volunteers, and spectators, in all areas of the swim venue. Athletes will remove masks immediately prior to entering the pool and shall restore masks upon exiting the pool. Masks may be removed while actively eating or drinking.

ELIGIBILITY

All swimmers must be registered with USA Swimming, Inc.

Swimmers must be registered prior to the entry deadline.

There will be no on deck registration available at this meet.

A swimmer's age on the first day of the meet will determine their age for the entire meet.

SWIMMERS WITH DISABILITIES

Loyola Blakefield Aquatics welcomes all swimmers with disabilities as described in the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations, Article 105, to participate in our meets. Coaches entering swimmers with disabilities that require any accommodations are required to provide advance notice in writing to the Meet Director by the entry deadline accompanying their meet entry file, including the need for any personal assistants required and/or registered service animals. Failure to provide advance notice may limit Loyola Blakefield Aquatics ability to accommodate all requests.

HEALTH GUIDELINES

All meets in the Maryland Swimming LSC are guided by the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. This not only applies to Viral Gastroenteritis but other infectious diseases as well.

The Meet Referee has the authority to inform and protect coaches, spectators, volunteers and swimmers from a potential outbreak of illness. At the discretion of the Meet Referee, anyone who exhibits symptoms of illness may be asked to withdraw from the competition for a 24 hour period. Swimmers will need to be cleared by the Meet Referee in order to return to competition.

COVID and Social Distancing Guidelines:

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- All warm-up, warm down, and competition swimming MUST follow all COVID regulations, social distancing guidelines, Health Dept. guidelines, and facility guidelines.

- Host Teams are responsible for following and enforcing all COVID regulations, social distancing guidelines, Health Dept. guidelines, and facility guidelines.

ENTRIES

Email is preferred for electronic entries. A completed and signed Entry Summary Sheet (included in the announcement) and payment in full must be received by the Meet Entry Coordinator by the entry deadline.

ENTRY LIMITATIONS Swimmers may swim a maximum of 4 individual events per session

ENTRY VERIFICATION An email will be sent to the person submitting the entry confirming receipt of the entry within 48 hours of receipt.

ENTRY DEADLINES **The Meet Entry Coordinator must receive entries by the date and time listed in the Deadline and Meeting Summary. No late entries will be accepted. There will be no on deck registrations.**

ENTRY FEES

	Make checks payable to: Loyola Blakefield Aquatics	
	LSC Surcharge	$2.00 per event
	Entry Fee	$5.50 per event
	Facility Fee	$5.50 per swimmer

SEEDING The conforming time standard for this meet is short course yards. Swimmers will be seeded and swim from slowest to fastest unless otherwise indicated. All non-conforming times will be seeded last in rank order.

SCRATCHES There will be no penalty for scratching pre-seeded events at the block.

SCORING No team or individual scoring will be kept.

AWARDS There are no awards. This meet is for fast swimming and "official" times.

RESULTS **Results will be posted on Loyola Blakefield Aquatic's and MDSI's website within 24 hours of the meet's conclusion.** At the conclusion of the meet, teams may obtain Hy-tek backups either on a memory stick or via email attachment.

COACHES/OFFICIALS/ MEET STAFF

POSITIVE CHECK IN FOR COACHES, OFFICIALS and MEET STAFF: ***There will be a positive check in for all coaches, officials and approved meet staff. The check in table will be located at the main pool entrance double doors. DECK PASS must be presented showing current fully certified Coach Membership or current fully certified Officials Membership. Meet Staff must be listed on an approved list provided by the host team. Upon verification of credentials, a meet specific wristband will be given that shall be worn at all times while on deck. Failure to comply will result in deck access being denied or immediate removal from the pool deck.***

There will be a coach/general meeting at the date and time listed in the Deadline and Meeting Summary. Other meetings may be held at the meet referee's discretion. Meet Management requests that at

least one coach representative from each team attend all coaches meetings.
There will be a need for officials. **Officials Sign up Link** **Loyola Blakefield Aquatics welcomes and encourages anyone willing to volunteer to contact the Meet Referee by email prior to the meet or sign in once you arrive at the meet.** Official briefings will be held in the hospitality area at the date and time listed in the Deadline and Meeting Summary.

Workers

Workers will be determined by the meet site host. All workers must be counted into the total number of people allowed by USA Swimming and/or the facility.

A zoom safety meeting will be conducted for workers within 48 hours of the meet start date. Safety Marshalls, Timers, Deck Staff, etc. will be sent an invitation from MDSI Operations Risk Coordinator inviting them to the zoom meeting.

HOSPITALITY/ CONCESSIONS

There will be a hospitality area open to all coaches and officials. Refreshments will be available at the concession stand.

WARM-UP

In accordance with USA Swimming guidelines, there will be a published warm-up procedure for all swimmers and coaches attending the meet.

The Marshall will ensure all teams, coaches, and swimmers follow all warm-up and COVID procedures.

Meet Management reserves the right to change warm-up times according to the number of entries.

During the competition, there may be lanes available for continuous warm-up/down (if available). There is to be no diving or horseplay in this area and should be monitored by each team's coaching staff.

ORDER OF EVENTS & QUALIFYING TIMES

Friday

Warm-up: 5:45 PM; Meet Start: 6:30 PM

Event #		Age Group	Event
1	Mixed	OPEN	400 IM
2	Mixed	12 & U	200 IM
3	Mixed	OPEN	200 Fly
4	Mixed	OPEN	1650 Free

Saturday

Warm-up: 8:00 AM; Meet Start: 9:00 AM

Event #		Age Group	Event
5	Mixed	13 & O	50 Free
6	Mixed	12 & U	50 Free
7	Mixed	12 & U	50 Fly
8	Mixed	13 & O	100 Breast
9	Mixed	12 & U	100 Breast
10	Mixed	12 & U	50 Back
11	Mixed	13 & O	200 Free
12	Mixed	12 & U	200 Free
13	Mixed	OPEN	200 Back

Saturday

Meet Start: 20 Minutes after Session 2

Event #		Age Group	Event
14	Mixed	OPEN	1000 Free

Sunday

Warm-up: 8:00 AM; Meet Start: 9:00 AM

Event #		Age Group	Event
15	Mixed	13 & O	200 IM
16	Mixed	12 & U	100 IM
17	Mixed	13 & O	100 Fly
18	Mixed	12 & U	100 Fly
19	Mixed	12 & U	50 Breast
20	Mixed	13 & O	100 Back
21	Mixed	12 & U	100 Back
22	Mixed	13 & O	100 Free
23	Mixed	12 & U	100 Free
24	Mixed	OPEN	200 Breast

Sunday

Meet Start: 20 Minutes after Session 4

Event #		Age Group	Event
25	Mixed	Open	500 Free

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Summary of Fees/Release Form

Complete and email or mail this form along with entry fees to (checks payable to **LBA**):

Loyola Blakefield Aquatics
ATTN: Keith Schertle
144 Westbury Rd
Lutherville, MD 21093
Email to: kschertle@loyolablakefield.org

Team Name	
Club Code	
Coach	
Coach Phone	
Coach Email	
Team Address	

Item	Total Number	Cost per	Total
Individual Entries		$5.50 per event	
$2 Surcharge per swimmer		$2.00 per swimmer	
Facility Surcharge per swimmer		$5.50 per swimmer	
Total Fees Due			

Waiver, Acknowledgement and Liability Release:

I, the undersigned coach or team representative, verify that all of the swimmers and coaches listed on the enclosed entry are registered with USA Swimming. I acknowledge that I am familiar with the Safety Rules of USA Swimming, Inc. and Maryland Swimming, Inc. regarding warm-up procedures and meet safety guidelines, and that I shall be responsible for the compliance of my swimmers with those rules during this meet. Loyola Blakefield Aquatics, Loyola Blakefield**,** Maryland Swimming, Inc., and USA Swimming, Inc., their agents, employees, and coaches shall be held free and harmless from any and all liabilities or claims for damages arising by reason of illness or injury to anyone during the conduct of this meet. I also acknowledge that by entering this meet, I am granting permission for the names of any or all of my team's swimmers to be published on the internet in the form of Psych Sheets, Meet Results, or any other documents associated with the running of this meet.

An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and individuals with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable.

USA Swimming, Inc. and Maryland Swimming, Inc, cannot prevent you (or your child(ren)) from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in USA/Maryland Swimming sanctioned events. It is not possible to prevent the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to participate in a USA Swimming sanctioned event, you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

By attending or participating in this competition, you voluntarily assume all risks associated with exposure to covid-19 and forever release and hold harmless USA Swimming and Maryland Swimming and each of their officers, directors, agents, employees or other representatives from any liability or claims including for personal injuries, death, disease or property losses, or any other loss, including but not limited to claims of negligence and give up any claims you may have to seek damages, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen, in connection with exposure, infection, and/or spread of covid-19 related to participation in this competition.

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SIGNATURE (Coach or Club Representative) CLUB

TITLE DATE